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says Krause. Cryer left in 1976 to become commissioner of the Pacific Coast Athletic Association.

"And we're not allowed to go raise funds as individual coaches."

As far as any additional money, says Krause, "I'll just have to wait and see what the athletic director says."

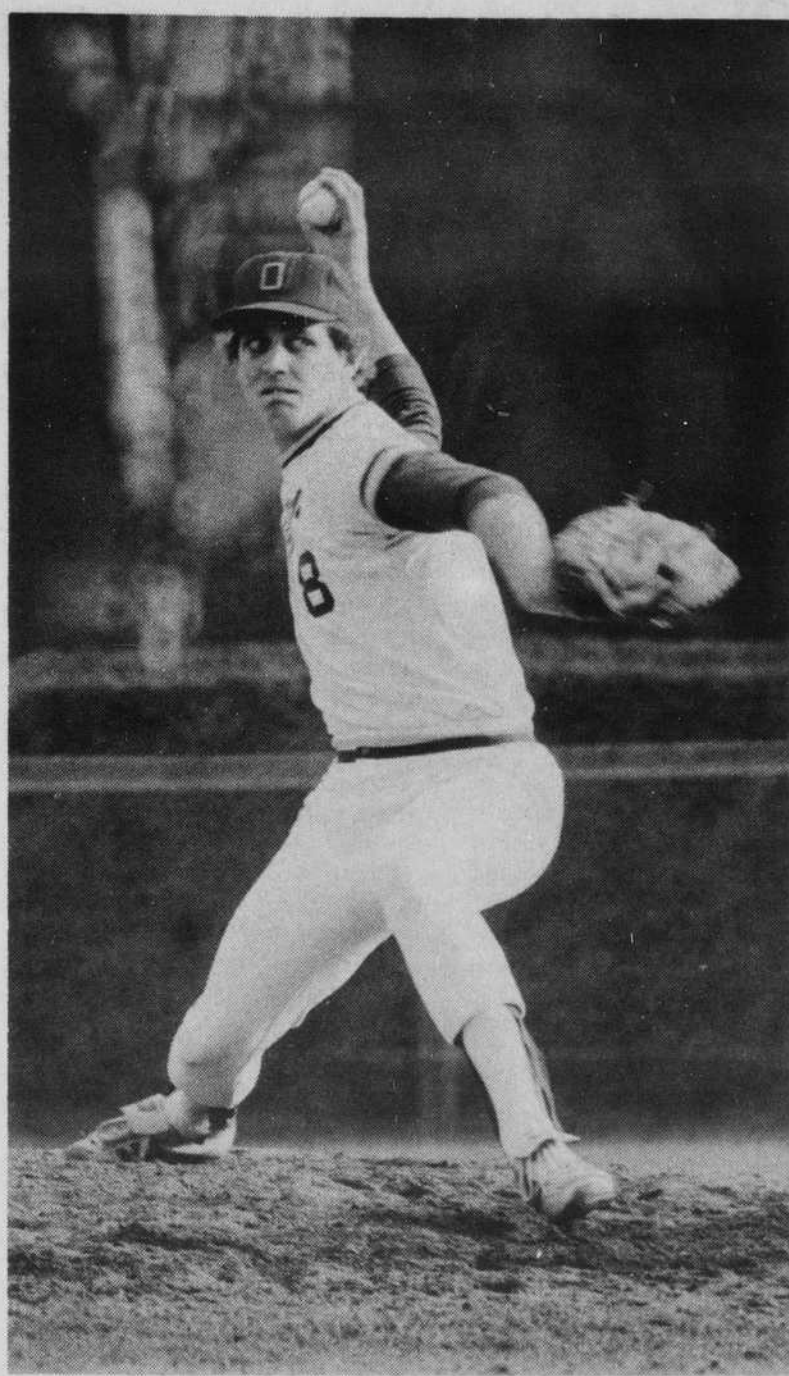
With similar financial situations at Oregon State and Washington, the talented high school player in the Northwest might choose to skip college and go right into the minor leagues.

It's a big mistake, Krause says. "Most high school players, unless they are offered a large sum of money, are better off going to college. They get years away from home, an educational foundation and a higher level of competition than they had in high school."

Which returns Krause to square one — recruiting.

Krause has to get some of those high school players, along with some junior college transfers to fill his immediate needs.

Currently, the Ducks have 14 junior college transfers and 12 recruited from



Mel Krause and Eric Martinez watch the game (left), while Dean Kegler (right) earns his scholarship by pitching.

high school, so Krause is accomplishing his objective.

Six of the transfers are pitchers, giving Krause the kind of pitching experience he needs to compete at the Pac-10 level.

This team has the talent to challenge for the Northern Division title, despite the setbacks, Krause says.

Oregon is 10-7 and has lost both its league games, but most observers still feel it is a vastly improved squad from last year's 19-21 team.

"I think we should be better than our record indicates," says Krause.

The Oregon coach knows, however, that the Ducks will be hard-pressed to approach the glory year of 1974.

"All I ask as a coach, financial-aid-wise, is to be competitive with Oregon State and Washington."

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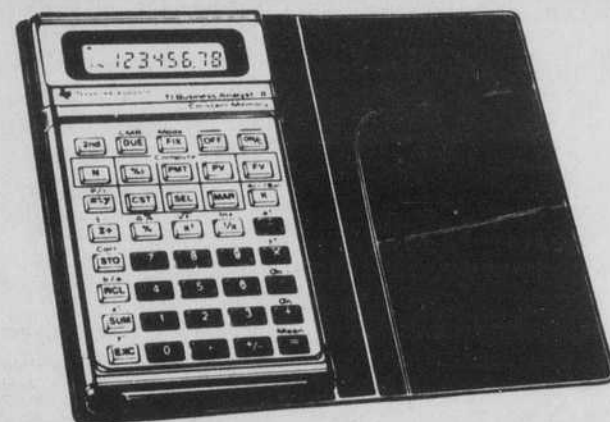
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